Application No. 60/405,324 Amendment dated November 3, 2005 Reply to Office Action of May 3, 2005 Docket No.: 22063-00002-US

REMARKS

Claims 1, 4, 5, 8-11, 13, 21 and 23-26 are pending. Claims 2, 3, 6, 7, 9, 12, 14-20 and 22 are canceled. Claims 1, 4, 11, 13, 21 and 24 are amended. Claims 25 and 26 are new.

Claim Amendments

Claim 1 has been amended to include subject matter originally presented in canceled claims 2 and 3, and to correct an antecedent basis problem.

Claim 4 has been amended to depend from claim 3, in light of the cancellation of claim 3.

Claim 11 has been amended to include subject matter originally presented in canceled claim 12, and to correct an antecedent basis problem.

Claim 13 has been amended to depend from claim 11, in light of the cancellation of claim 12.

Claim 21 has been amended to include subject matter originally presented in canceled claim 22, and has further been amended to improve readability.

Claim 24 has been amended to correct improper dependency from claim 25. Claim 24 now depends from claim 23, as originally intended.

No new matter has been added to the claims.

Drawing Objections

Applicant acknowledges the objections to the drawings. In accordance with the Examiner's requirements, formal drawings will be submitted upon allowance of the application.

Application No. 60/405,324 Amendment dated November 3, 2005 Reply to Office Action of May 3, 2005 Docket No.: 22063-00002-US

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §112

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 6-7 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, based on the use of the term "quickly" in claim 6. claims 6 and 7 have been canceled. New claim 25 includes the subject matter of claims 6 and 7 and does not include the term "quickly".

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-13 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, based on lack of antecedent basis for the term "wheel leg" in claims 1 and 11. The term "wheel leg" has been replaced with the term "wheel support" in amended claims 1 and 11. As noted by the Examiner, the term "wheel support" has antecedent basis in the claims.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §102/§103

§102 -Darling, III

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claim 14 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Darling, III (US 6,164,671).

Claim 14 has been canceled, and the rejection is therefore moot.

§103 - Harter

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-2, 6, 8 and 10-11 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Harter (US 6,375,200).

Claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of canceled claims 2 and 3. The Examiner indicated that the subject matter of claim 3 was allowable. Therefore, Applicant submits that claim 1 is now allowable over Harter.

Application No. 60/405,324 Amendment dated November 3, 2005 Reply to Office Action of May 3, 2005 Docket No.: 22063-00002-US

As indicated above, claims 2 and 6 have been canceled. The rejection of these claims is therefore moot.

Claims 8 and 10 depend from claim 1, and are therefore allowable.

Claim 11 has been amended to include the subject matter of canceled claim 12. Since the Examiner indicated that claim 12 included allowable subject matter, Applicant submits that claim 11 is now allowable.

§103 - Darling, III

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 17 and 18 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Darling, III.

Claims 17 and 18 have been canceled, and the rejection of these claims is therefore moot. §103 - Darling, III in view of Kindell et al.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 15, 19-21 and 23-24 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Darling, III in view of Kindell et al. (US 6,725,872).

Claims 15, 19 and 20 have been canceled. Thus, the rejection of these claims is rendered moot.

Claim 21 has been amended to include the subject matter originally presented in claim 22, which the Examiner indicated to be allowable. Therefore, Applicant submits that claim 21 is now allowable.

Claims 23 and 24 are allowable since they depend from claim 21.

NO. 8896 P. 14

NOV. 3. 2005 4:33PM

Application No. 60/405,324 Amendment dated November 3, 2005 Reply to Office Action of May 3, 2005 Docket No.: 22063-00002-US

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 3-5, 7, 9, 12-13, 16 and 22.

As discussed above, claims 1, 11 and 21 now include the subject matter of original claims 3, 12 and 22, respectively, and are therefore believed to be allowable.

New claim 25 includes the subject matter of original claim 7, and is therefore believed to be allowable.

New claim 26 includes the subject matter of original claim 9, and is therefore believed to be allowable.

Conclusion

In view of the above amendment, Applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

If a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 22063-00002-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Dated: November 3, 2005

Respectfully submitted

Brian J. Hairston, Reg. No. 46,750

CONNOLLY BOVE LODGE & HUTZ LLP

1990 M Street, N.W., Suite 800 Washington, DC 20036-3425

(202) 331-7111

(202) 293-6229 (Fax)

Attorney for Applicant